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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b>  (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))	Attorney Docket No.	A1027
	First Inventor	Wang, Xiaobao, et. al.
	Title	A Method & Apparatus for Protecting a Circuit
	Express Mail Label No.	EL976984499US

<b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b> See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.	<b>ADDRESS TO:</b> Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, DC 20231
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 See 37 CFR 1.27.
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  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
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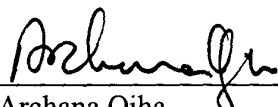
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**DURING A HOT SOCKET CONDITION**

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Independent Claims	7	-3	4	\$84.00	\$336.00
Minimum Fee					\$750.00
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